



photo by Patrick Doty

Flags for fallen

Thousands of American flags wave in a chilly wind Wednesday evening. Earlier this week, the UNO College Democrats planted one flag for every American soldier who has died in Iraq. On Tuesday, the names, ranks and hometowns of each fallen soldier were read aloud.

Student government president vetoes t-shirt spending resolution

SCOTT STEWART
NEWS EDITOR

The president of student government vetoed a resolution Monday that would have spent nearly \$4,000 to purchase t-shirts to give away at visibility events.

President/Regent Alexander Williams said in a statement he could not "justify the expense" of the t-shirts, even though he considered them an "optimal method of promoting" student government.

Williams said he decided to veto the resolution after looking over the more than \$22,000 allocated by the Student Senate on April 19. He said he supported the \$11,500 budget approved for the new Gender and Sexual Orientation Agency, but thought the \$6,000 approved for academic planners and \$3,950 for t-shirts were too much.

"I then decided to poll students and regents, and fellow student-body presidents," Williams said.

After seeking advice, Williams said he decided to veto the t-shirts and request that Legislative and Public Relations Officer Latavia Adams spend only part of the allocated \$6,000 for academic planners.

"He just asked me if I could keep the spending under \$4,000 on the planners," Adams said. "So I said that's fine, we'll get rid of some of the extras we were going to do."

Senate Speaker Cassy Loseke questioned the decision to keep the planners but do away with the t-shirts.

"I think the general consensus was that the t-shirts were better for visibility," Loseke said. "So why couldn't he do this with the t-shirts as well?"

Loseke said she felt frustrated with Williams' absence from the April 19 senate session. She said Williams mistakenly believed the t-shirts were to support Maverick athletics, but they were supposed to promote student government's visibility on campus.

"He would have known that had he been at senate," Loseke said. "I don't think he's making the best educated decision."

Williams missed senate because he was in Lincoln for the following morning's Board of Regents meeting.

"I do think, obviously, it would have been preferable had he been at two places at once," said Sen. Meg Mandy. "He wasn't not there because he chose not to be there."

Mandy, who joined Loseke on April 19 as the lone opponents on the t-shirt resolution, said she personally preferred the academic planners instead of the t-shirts.



Alex Williams

"I would have been more favorable ... had someone motioned to reduce the number of t-shirts," Mandy said. "I don't necessarily know what I would have done in [Williams'] position." Loseke agreed with Mandy that the resolution asked for too many t-shirts.

"I would not have voted against the resolution if it was half the amount," Loseke said.

However, Loseke said she felt Williams was making a "contradiction" by his willingness to "spend \$1,000 on office furniture" but not supporting something going to students.

Williams has come under criticism by some members of the senate for his purchase of a \$492.58 desk as well as other "capital improvements" for the student government offices earlier this

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Last candidates visit campus for final round of chancellor search

PATRICK DOTY
ASST. PHOTO/LINE EDITOR

The final two candidates in the search for a new chancellor visited campus on Friday and Monday. Now all that remains in the search is for NU President James B. Milliken to choose the new chancellor.

The decision should be made in May so that a permanent chancellor will be in office for the next academic school



photo by Michelle Bishop

John Frederick addresses two UNO students during his public forum last Friday afternoon in the student center.

year, Milliken said. The Board of Regents will then have to approve the decision, probably during a special meeting in May.

John Frederick, the third candidate to visit campus, was unable to make it to campus Thursday. Mechanical problems resulted in his flight's cancellation, stranding him in Reno, Nevada.

However, NU central administration was able to reschedule all of Frederick's meetings for Friday, said Interim Director of Communications Tim Kaldahl.

"It was pretty impressive to see how they could have that all fall into place," said Kaldahl. "He had his news conference; he met with all the groups he was supposed to; he had his public forum [in the] morning ... and it was still

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University Village gunshot noise linked to dry ice bomb incident

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ASST. SECTION EDITOR

On April 18, Campus Security received calls from University Village residents regarding a loud noise that sounded like a gunshot. The Omaha Police were notified and arrived on the scene.

A subsequent investigation found the remnants of a dry ice bomb in Elmwood Park just east of University Village, said Asst. Manager of Campus Security, Paul Kosel.

According to the Campus Security report, at about 11:30 p.m. an officer "reported hearing a loud explosion and encountered a student crying and yelling while running from where the explosion occurred."

Campus Security received several telephone calls regarding the noise, said Kosel, and responded immediately.

"We called the Omaha Police Department first and responded to the area," said Kosel. "Looked around, didn't see anything, didn't hear anything. [We]

tried to get into contact with the people that called us [and] worked off of that."

While the initial calls described the noise as a gunshot, Kosel said officers located the "remnants of a dry ice bomb, [a] two-liter bottle with junk in it." These pieces were found in the part of Elmwood Park that juts into campus just east of the lower dormitory buildings.

Kosel described a dry ice bomb as a reaction of compressed gas building up within a plastic bottle.

"When it explodes, you've got that cap flying off, fragments of the bottle flying, fluid flying with dry ice," said Kosel. "It could burn you without a doubt."

Residents were not informed of the investigation's findings, leaving many of them guessing what the noise had been.

"I heard a loud bang, figured it was a car backfiring," said Alicia Hoising, a resident of University Village. She said the noise was "pretty loud" but she "never would have thought of a bomb."

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Cassy Loseke

semester.

"I was kind of shocked when he decided to be fiscally conservative even though it's something that would benefit students," Loseke said. "I think it's kind of hypocritical."

Sen. James Shoquist agreed with Loseke and expressed concern over student government's spending this year.

"It's kind of a disgrace that the reserve fund went from \$60,000 this time last year ... to roughly around \$49,000 to \$50,000," Shoquist said. "There's just too much money being spent."

Parliamentarian Dayton Headlee said he thought the veto was unexpected. However, he said if Williams felt strongly about the resolution, it was within his rights.

"The executive branch has the right to check the legislative branch," Headlee said. "If the president/regent feels that way, it is his prerogative to [veto the resolution]."

Headlee went on to say the senate could overturn

Williams's veto at its next meeting, scheduled for Sept. 6, provided they had a three-fourths majority.

Williams said even though the senate voted overwhelmingly to approve the t-shirts, he did not expect a veto override.

"Even though there were enough votes to override my veto, if they want to, it gets them talking," Williams said. "It probably won't even come back up."

Loseke said there was "potential" for the override, but also thought it was unlikely given student government's summer recess.

I wouldn't mind overriding it and spending less money," Loseke said.

Adams and Williams both said they hoped to find a donor for the t-shirts over the summer, which would prevent the issue from coming back up in the fall. It would also provide t-shirts to distribute during freshmen orientation and other back-to-school events in the fall.

"We will probably find someone to give out shirts during those days," Williams said. "We're going to collectively work towards finding a donor."

News You Can Use

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KEENA SPENCER-DOBSON
STAFF WRITER

Summer shuttle service announced

The summer shuttle services at UNO will begin Monday, May 7. Shuttles will operate between North and South Campus from 6:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. The service will be closed on holidays. There will not be a shuttle service to Crossroads Mall.

Book buy back begins

The UNO Bookstore is currently buying back books. Those students wishing to sell back their books must present a current student ID. The bookstore will continue the buyback through Friday, May 4, during the following hours:

Monday through Thursday
7:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Friday
7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Saturday
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Textbook listings for summer session courses are also available at the bookstore or online at unobookstore.com.

Parkinson's Disease annual walk

Students are invited to join the American Parkinson's Disease Nebraska Chapter for their annual walk on Saturday, June 2, at Elmwood Park. Registration begins at 9 a.m. and the walk begins at 10 a.m.

The event will feature prizes, games for kids, hot dogs and refreshments as well as local bands playing music starting at 11 a.m.

Everyone is invited, including children and pets. For more information, call Mary or Colleen at 392-2732.

Professor to use dummy in lecture

Retiring professor William Clute will be giving a "last lecture" on Saturday, April 28, at 7:30 p.m. in the Eppley Administration Building auditorium.

Clute, a ventriloquist, will include his dummy, George Nichols, in his presentation entitled "The Development of Entertainment During the First Half of the 20th Century: Vaudeville, Broadway, Radio, Movies and Television."

The presentation will be free and open to the public, but seating is limited. Reservations can be made by contacting Clute at wclute@mail.unomaha.edu or by calling 554-2627.

Spring concert fundraiser May 6

Four local area musicians will headline the Spring Fling Concert Bonanza Party fundraiser and food drive. The concert is sponsored by the UNO chapter of the Public Relations Student Society of America in conjunction with 1% Productions.

The event will feature the Answer Team, After the Fall and Polydipsia. Gateway staff writer and DJ-extraordinaire Brent Crampton, along with special guest Ruben H. of Sydney, Australia, will close the evening.

PRSSA is also holding a food drive for the Omaha Food Bank along with the concert. Prizes will be raffled off to those donating canned goods and other non-perishable foodstuffs.

For The Record

In the April 24 report "Lincoln campus faces bomb threat on Columbine massacre anniversary," John Ballard was incorrectly identified as the dean of the UNL College of Engineering and Technology. Ballard is actually the associate dean of the college. The current dean of the college is David H. Allen.

Also, in the staff box of the *Retrospect*, the Gateway's annual year-in-review magazine, Line Editor Jamee Clasen's name was omitted.

The Gateway apologizes for these errors.

Crime Log

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Monday, April 16

11:42 p.m. A student reported the theft of the vehicle from Lot 7. Victim reported leaving the keys in the ignition. Incident occurred between 11:13 p.m. and 11:20 p.m.

Wednesday, April 18

11:19 p.m. Campus Security responded to a complaint of indecent exposure at University Library. The incident was reported by three female students. A search of the library for the suspect was conducted. The suspect was not located. It is unknown if the suspect is affiliated with the university.

11:35 p.m. Campus Security received several telephone reports of the sound of gunshots at University Village. Omaha Police were contacted and responded. Subsequent investigation lead investigators to believe the noise was created by a dry ice bomb.

Friday, April 20

3:40 p.m. Student reported theft of personal property from University Village. Suspect identified. Omaha Police report filed by victim. Incident occurred between 8 a.m. and 9 a.m.

5:30 p.m. Student reported theft of personal property from Milo Bail Student Center. Incident occurred between 1:40 p.m. and 1:45 p.m.

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Blood donations from Greek Week drive discarded following review

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The American Red Cross decided to discard units raised during a Greek Week blood drive earlier this month for fear of contamination.

According to a report in the *Omaha World-Herald*, 59 units were discarded after a Red Cross quality control assessment determined that students might have given inaccurate medical histories in order to donate blood.

The concern over the blood collected during the drive came because of a rule change in the week's incentives program. Points were awarded to those "who were eligible and actually donated blood," said co-chair Cassy Loseke. Previously, points had been awarded to anyone who signed up at the drive, including those who were ineligible to

donate.

The drive was shut down early once drive organizers realized the potential problem caused by the incentives program.

Nathan Fuchtmann, the director of Greek Week, said he was "disappointed that they had to get rid of it," but understood the decision. However, he said the setback would not deter future drives.

"There are plans to do it again next year," Fuchtmann said. "The Red Cross is always excited about the output of Greek Week."

Loseke agreed the decision was disappointing, but said the Red Cross had done the right thing.

"I understand their decision to discard it, because you don't want to put anyone's life [at] risk," Loseke said. "It's better to be safe than sorry."

Interim Director of Communications Tim Kaldahl said the university has had a "positive, long-standing relationship" with the Red Cross.

"The problems experienced during the April 5 campus blood drive have been reviewed so problems going forward can be avoided," Kaldahl said in a statement. "The two organizations have worked closely together – and will continue to work closely together – to make blood drives successful and safe."



photo by Patrick Doty

A student gives blood at a blood drive earlier this year. UNO students, faculty and staff organize and participate in several blood drives across campus each year.

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really well attended."

Frederick is the current executive vice president and provost at the University of Nevada, Reno. He has been at UNR for 19 years with six years in his current position.

Frederick said Wednesday in a phone interview that his experience at UNR and the similarities between UNO and UNR make him a good fit for the chancellor position.

"[UNR] is a land grant university in which a major part of its mission is community outreach," Frederick said. "I think that meshes very well with the mission of a metropolitan university such as UNO."

Frederick said he is also a candidate for the top position at Southern Illinois University, Carbondale.

Wilson G. Bradshaw, the seven-year president of Metropolitan State University in Minnesota, is the only candidate who has permanently held the top spot at a university.

Bradshaw visited campus Monday and stressed the importance of reinvigorating the community about UNO.

"Beginning in 2008, [UNO] will be moving into its second century of existence," Bradshaw said. "I think that's a great opportunity for UNO and the community to talk about what has happened in the past, and what UNO wants to be in the future and what the community wants of UNO. I think whoever's chancellor here as the institution moves into the second century should really exploit that opportunity."

The first candidate to visit campus was a familiar name to the UNO community. Interim Chancellor John Christensen, who has worked at UNO for nearly 30 years, had his official campus visit Monday, April 16.

Allen Mori visited campus two days later. Mori is the vice president and provost of California State University, Dominguez Hills.

Mary Sweaney, assistant director of human resources and a member of the chancellor search committee, said she was very impressed with all four candidates after their campus visits.

"Many people have stopped me and

told me they were very pleased with the candidate pool and had ample opportunity to be exposed to them and meet them or listen to them," Sweaney said.

Latavia Adams, the lone student on the chancellor search committee, is excited about the final four candidates.

"I think we had excellent candidates from everyone that applied and all the interviews we had," Adams said. "I think [UNO's] future looks positive, I think it always has. Because our chancellor candidates are so outstanding, I think we can go nowhere but up."

A Web site has been created for anyone to voice an opinion about the chancellor search. It can be accessed at www.unomaha.edu/chancellorsearch/comments.php.

Milliken said the feedback he has received so far has been positive.

"From the feedback I'm getting, the UNO community felt very good about participating in the process," Milliken said. "I compliment the campus on not only the hospitality but also the very effective visits for these four candidates. I think each of the candidates had a very positive experience at UNO."

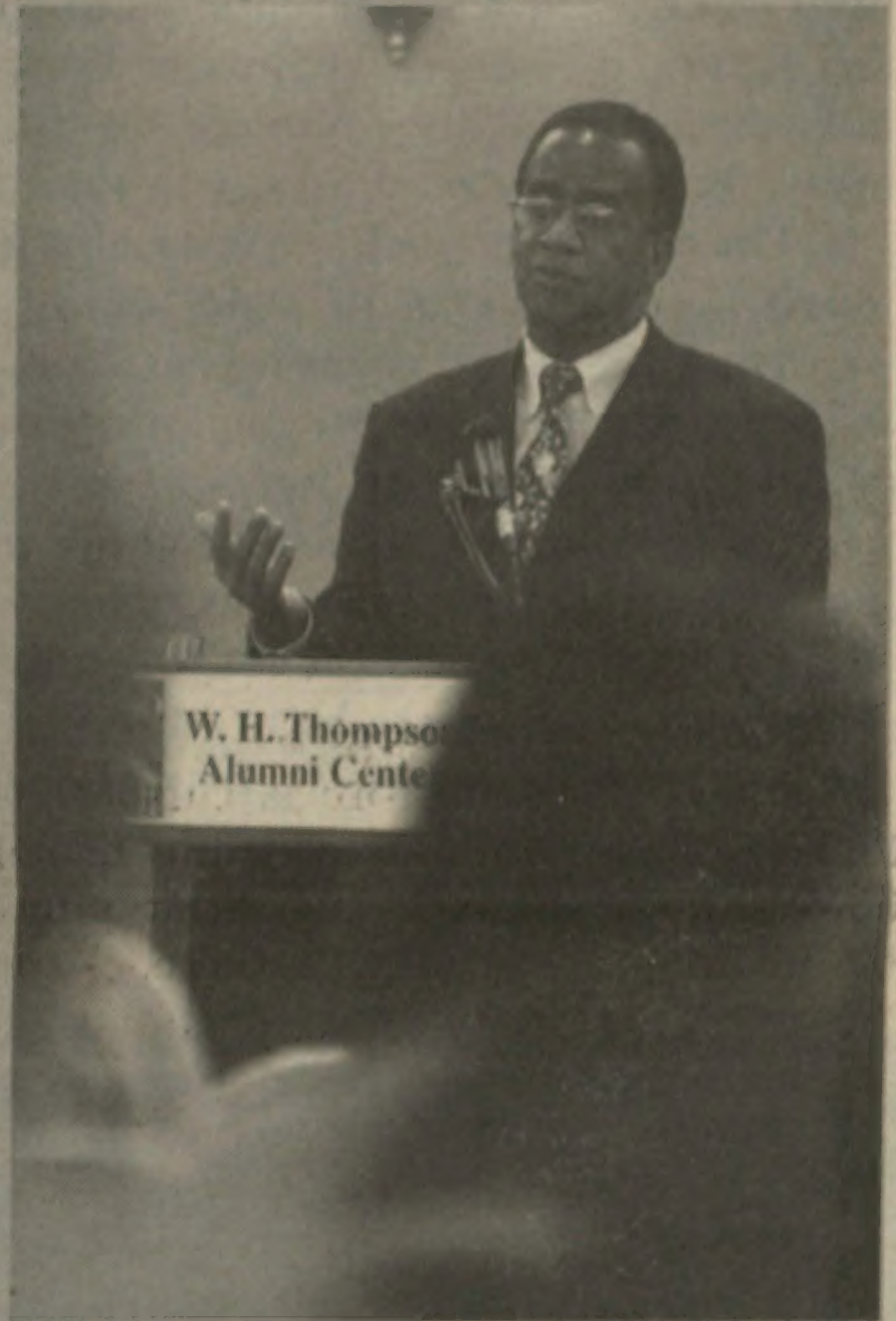


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Wilson G. Bradshaw talks to members of the UNO community during his public forum on Monday afternoon.

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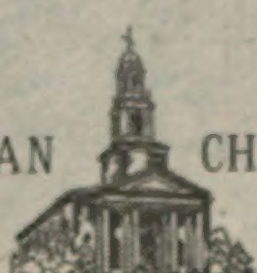
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Honors student makes charitable use of unreturnable textbooks

CHAEI FORTINA
STAFF WRITER

It's an unavoidable problem. At the end of the semester, students approach the book return counter with a backpack full of expensive textbooks. They're hoping to make some money back and leave with an empty bag. But this is rarely the case, and students are often stuck with heavy book bags rather than heavy wallets.

Senior Anthony Swirczek found a solution for those annoying unreturnable books.

Swirczek, an honors student, started a textbook collection program at UNO in conjunction with Better World Books, a for-profit social venture that has collected more than three million books since 2001. Better World Books use their funds to pick up the books from UNO and take them to their warehouse. Once in the warehouse, the organization will distribute the books to non-profit organizations around the world and sell them to non-profit literacy programs.

Some of the money raised from these books will go toward a scholarship fund for children in Sri Lanka who were victims of the 2005 tsunami, Swirczek said. The funds are set up to help them after they reach third or fourth grade.

Unfortunately, this roundabout method of donating the books to a non-profit organization is necessary, Swirczek said, as he was unable to locate any non-profit organizations that were willing to pick up the books from UNO.

Since Swirczek is the director of this operation, he will receive 50 cents per book, which he will donate to a local social service organization, the Wesley House, where he is a tutor.

Students are encouraged to "check their closets"

for old textbooks, Swirczek said. Collection bins are set up around campus in several locations.

Swirczek said he will be outside of the Milo Bail Student Center during book buy-back week.

"I don't know if I'll be able to keep up with the amount of books that come in [during book buy-back week]," Swirczek said. "But it's a challenge I'm willing to take on."

Novels are also welcome for the book drive, but they are unable to be used by the Better World Books program. They will instead be donated to the Omaha Public Library on 90th and Dodge streets.

Swirczek's program has already had a productive start raising textbooks. 500 textbooks and 300 novels have already been collected.

Swirczek does not act completely alone, and said he could use all the help he can get. He was inspired to start the book drive program after taking honors courses in women's studies and education in the 21st century, he said.

"Those [courses] motivated me to do something on my own to target Southeast Asia," Swirczek said. "Better World Books really focuses on girls' education."

Three sponsors helped Swirczek get started with the program, including Dawn Crite, a professor in Women's Studies, Sandra Wetig, an assistant professor in teacher education, and the Tri Beta national biology honor society. Swirczek said he has also received support from Elaine Lahue, an associate professor of biology, and Christine McIvor, assistant to the director of the Honors Program. Honors student Elizabeth Baxter has also "been a big help getting this program off and running," Swirczek said.

Students interested in helping Swirczek with the Better World Books project can contact the

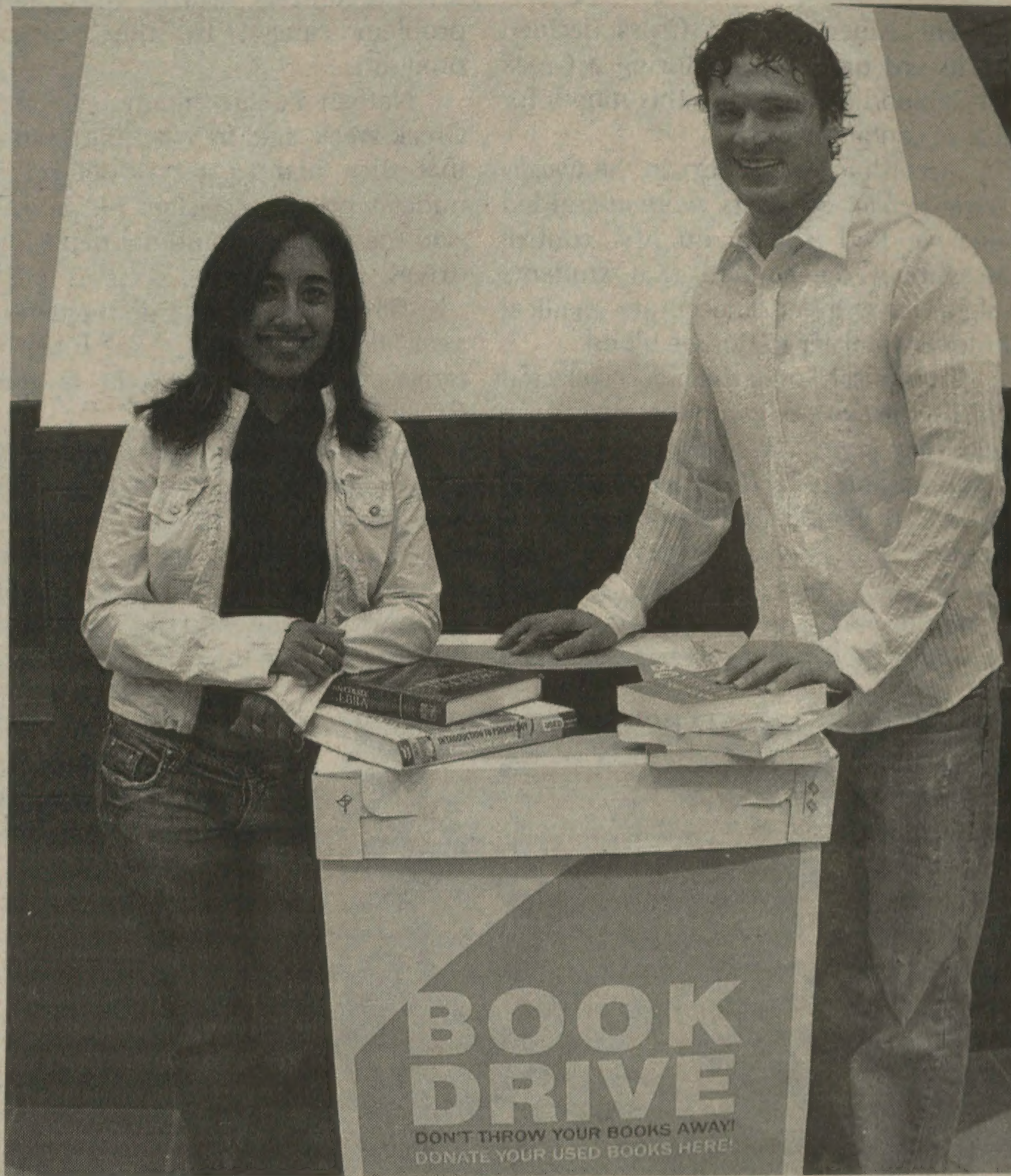


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Lizz Baxter (left) and Anthony Swirczek are hoping students will donate their unreturnable books to their textbook collection program this year. The donated books will be distributed to non-profit organizations around the world.

Honors Program at 554-2696.

People editor Jamee Clasen contributed to this report

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A dry ice bomb was responsible for the gunshot-like sound reported by several students near University Village last Wednesday.

Steve Saur, the managing director of University Village, said similar incidents had occurred before, but they were not that big of a concern.

"We have people who let off fireworks; we have people who pull pranks," said Saur. "We're not doing much follow-up."

Despite calls reporting the explosion as a gunshot, Kosel said once officers arrived

on the scene and found the remains of the dry ice device, a shooting was ruled out. However, he said if the incident had been a shooting, his department would "try to help anyone that was injured, go from there and assist police as we could."

"With everything going on recently," said Kosel, "we suspect it was ... just for fun, being creative."

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Gotta be the Maverick

Former Maverick basketball player Quantel Murphy throws down in the Sapp Field house gym. Murphy recently won a regional dunk contest and will travel to Chapel Hill, N.C., Saturday to represent UNO in the Old Spice National Dunk Finals at the 2007 Pontiac American Collegiate Intramural Sports Basketball National Championships.

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The Maverick pride of Omaha took
a firm kick to the ass
Twas not in glorious battle undone
the fates of Maverick souls
But in the economic realm besieged
by higher roles

A pale light did cast its desp'rate
glow upon the fieldhouse state
And as the five packed up their
wares some tried investigate
What occurred? And who did know?
and how the plot unfurled
So staged the sordid summer stock
upon our campus world
Ere the Harvest moon shined down
upon the combined field
A dirge of debt, deceit and dole
would hence be so revealed

First came the came the call from
financiers "we knew no ledgers red"
Quiet money patched the wounds as
the program slowly bled
And then we learnt of influence
within the upper track
Of trips and clubs and satellites and
a shiny Cadillac
As leaders grew in infamy so
heightened the discord
The final straw a costly feast UNO

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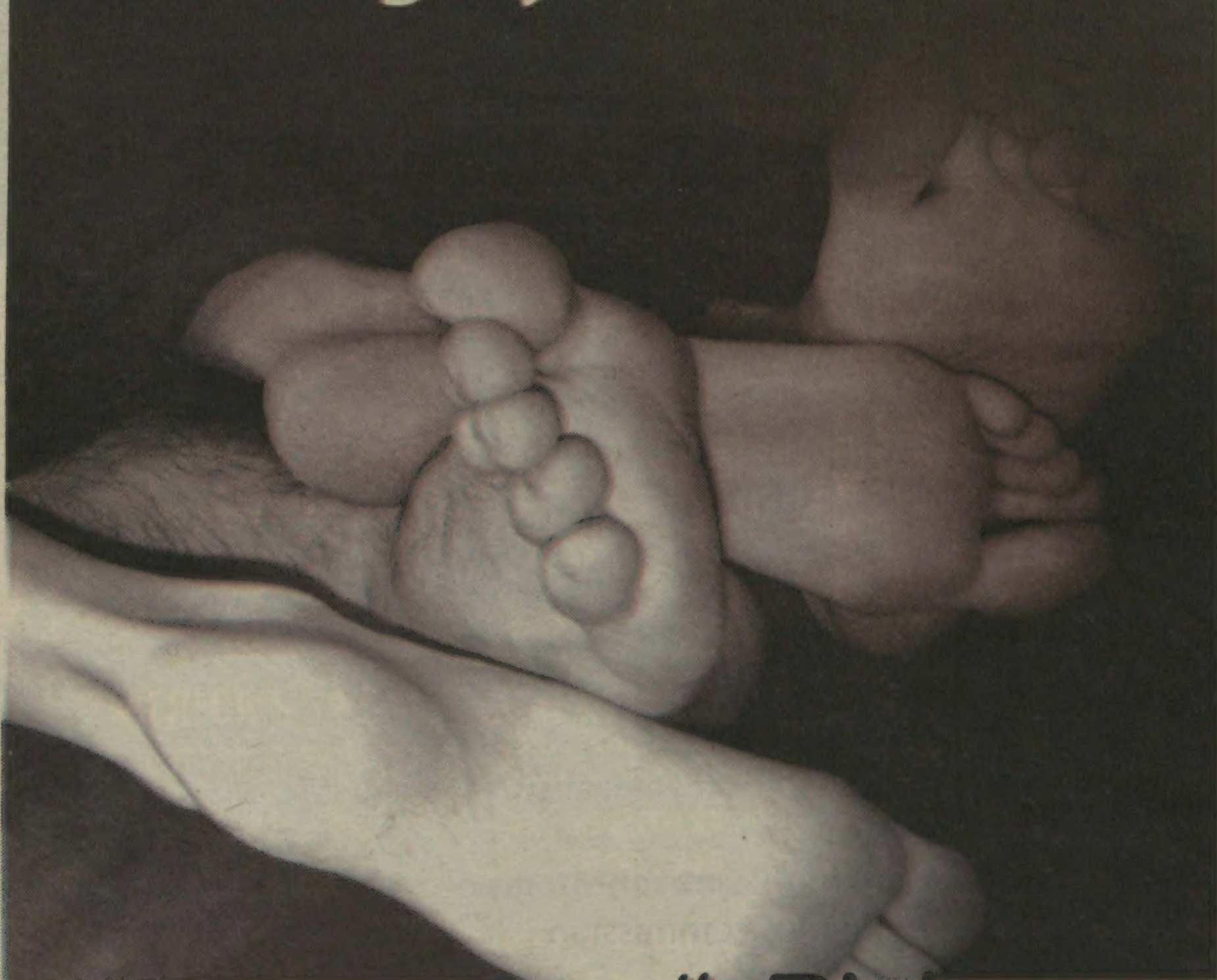
Lo Buck, then Belck, then Herbster
fell cut from the odious ranks
And the program grew new flesh
upon its injured flanks
Through the scene the warriors soon
meshed in Maverick lore
Kept up the fight relentlessly to
even out the score
For this tale does not concern mere
those who brought ill fame
But sings the glorious praise hard-
earned by those who played the
game

McGill and Miller, Mulligan brought
brav'ry to the Fall
Naig, Parse, Thies and Belling did
shine through the wintry squall
And when rebirth in springtime
came tho haltingly at first
Kuster, Cloyd and Russell quenched
the rabid Maverick thirst
These names are but a fine short list
compiled from noble deeds
Of all the proven architects by
whom our house succeeds

But still our house requires repair to
the ravage of the past
Events transpired must not return
and show their pallid cast
The pain of stolen promise throbs
yet in the Maverick heart
To move beyond this dire time
demands a cleansing start
For ours to be the vict'ry yet won
fast in years gone by
Leaders, like our athletes, must be
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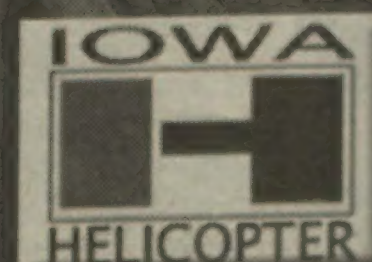
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II

I The gravel calls one of ten to touch it as the others sing back to the house. She sits in a tire track, feels the road through her jeans:

She wonders if when she stands, her steps will take her to the porch swing where she'll let her feet dangle toward the floor boards, kitchen light slanting through the screen door;

or if the sound of her shoes on gravel will fade into crickets and passing trucks, the murmur of evergreen branches above the dead.

Twenty shoes scuff gravel on Rokeby Road:

a county road where pebbles glow beneath a northern moon settling over them like chalk dust.

Ten walking cast shadows parallel to bared tire tracks. Their arms extinguish and relight the gravel ahead of them as they sway, moonlight between fingers.

One of ten suggests worship hymns.

The Story Mother Tells



Fred MacVaugh
Graduate student
English

That's where we met, in fact. He'd gone to deliver new fabric to the floor When the cart carrying the fabric rolls collapsed— An overloaded axel snapped like dried bone— The fabric spilling and unraveling Across the floor like a regal red carpet. Only it was blue. But that didn't matter.

Your father looked up as the fabric rolled Toward a woman walking toward it. You'd have sworn, Had you seen it, that it was a movie—

The light perfect, the woman young and beautiful,

3 The man, your father, stumbling In his efforts to stop the other rolls from falling and blocking her way, Cursing himself, the cart, the job, not realizing,

Meanwhile, that the woman had stopped,

Bent down and begun rolling the cloth,

Her laughter rising and echoing Amid the clang and throb of engines and machinery,

Your father's face as furious and red as free-flowing lava

That would scorch anything it touched—

Until her hand touched his Beneath the fabric she held.

You'd have sworn again, This time that Time had stopped

Over the floor-chilled fabric As your father gazed face-to-face

With me, this woman, his breath still In his lungs, his fear

My clue this was just the beginning.

His smile burst full As the risen sun Across his face, his lips parted Wide over yellowed teeth, His cheeks flared and flushed By his own inner burning, A long-buried joy ascendant— Like an awakening, Like hope found After a long and painful absence— Like children finding gifts Beneath a bare and lightless Christmas tree Even though their parents Had neither money nor jobs Because the plant they worked at closed a month ago, The jobs moved somewhere overseas Where labor and raw materials were cheaper, Where tax breaks meant higher profit margins For the CEO and stockholders, The men and women living just north of town In the gated communities built, It was rumored, on the earnings Of the textile plant your father aspired to When he was a child, like you, Because his mother and father had worked there.

After A Year Together



Fred MacVaugh
Graduate student
English/ Arts &
Sciences

Fort Richardson, Texas
29 December 2005

This place has nothing to do with you, I admit. But for the fact I'm here Wandering amid ruins and abandoned buildings— Guardhouse, hospital, bakery, morgue— Empty of anything living other than insects And the memories of others, it has little to do with me. What brought me here, you wonder? A long-deceased ancestor Who walked the same grounds, A sentry, perhaps, who Peered into the same building's windows While a doctor tweezered a bullet From a soldier's shattered shoulder? An ancestor whose footsteps I wished to trace?

I wish I could say it's the imagery, The metaphors, like maps, I could draw Between a place like this and letting go— The restless wind whipping Newsprint in the prickly pear, The parched prairie and sky High, wide and unreadable, The coffin left open and leaning

against the wall Of the otherwise empty morgue. . . .

A year ago today, tomorrow was a mystery.

In spite of a fear of flying You flew to me and, hours later, After dinner, after hours driving, You tossed your shoes, socks, shirt and slacks

Across a bed in a town new to the two of us,

Showered the airline air From your hair and, teeth brushed,

Slipped beneath sheets we'd share.

What good could come of admitting you were right?

The truth is, imagery was accidental, History merely an excuse.

My feelings didn't run as deep as the rainwater

Trickling through the karst into Lost Creek,

The now nearly bone-dry reason why the Army built here.

I tour frontier forts every chance I get.

I wanted to kill time.

I wanted to do something other than sit at home alone.

But even the dead were exhumed and moved

When the post closed in 1878.

Instead, I'm thinking of you Showing your students how to subtract

By carrying over—

"A line's drawn down through one number,

The one carried penciled above the next. . . ."

Like them, I'm trying to work the problem through,

Trying to reconcile the lessening, The loss that's left my hand empty

Without your hand to hold.

Celtic Ring Sonnet



Patrick Bartmess
Senior
Education

The rings around your fingers silvershine Are cool against my palm when our hands touch; Such sheltered eyes conceal your heart's design

Yet softly yield when I attempt to search Beneath the mirrored surface I will find

The Celtic lines that weave around your rings;

Reflective fingers, eyes that flash behind

Your glasses, shrewd and studying, Your wicked laughter, bubbling and bright,

4 Suggesting endless possibilities, Seems welcoming and warm, yet cool as night.

It comforts me, yet shakes away my ease

As ripples on the surface of a pond Delight as easily as they confound.

Entrance



Adam Kochanowicz
Junior
Biology

without a single deadline or known agenda and I, dressed in your bedsheets, never touch you and, never needing,

As clear as vodka, your tail moves like the tail of a mischievous kitten

let you remain beautiful in your clothes.

The silly girl you are, you prance from the spring of your toes as if

persuading the floors to bounce you back

and make the green of your dress light up your eyes against me

lying on our sides we watch each other

5 enter into spring

two happy, drunk teenagers with pockets empty and lips aligned,

clean, with pristine memories to perform

watching our entrances open.

Intramural program faces challenges, remains positive about future

JASON GLENN
SPORTS EDITOR

When you're in charge of organizing teams with names like Dazed & Confused, The Flying She-Squirrels and The Pimptastic Crew, you've got to keep a pretty good perspective.

For Mike Kult, assistant director of campus recreation and the man who runs UNO's intramural sports leagues, the bottom line is making sure everybody has a good time.

"When they're having fun and enjoying themselves, that's what it's all about. They work hard studying and this is a good diversion for them," said Kult. "Healthy bodies equal healthy minds."

But keeping the good times rolling is a lot of work, and for Kult and his staff the last year has presented a few new challenges.

Field availability on south campus forced them to drop soccer as a league sport and the graduation of a core group of intramurals diehards produced a decline in the overall number of participants. In addition, the staff had to contend with uncertainties over UNO's development of athletic facilities, scheduling issues with HPER walk-ins, and the ever-present dilemma of how to attract and retain a largely hometown student body who have family, friends and jobs nearby.

Program Assistant Chris Franck, who's working on his second master's degree and serves as Kult's right-hand man, said that even as UNO works

towards becoming a more traditional university, it's still hard to accommodate everybody.

"Even though students are living on campus, so many of them are still working. They're still Omaha kids who just aren't living at home," he said. "Their availability is still evenings and weekends."

And that can make for some long and busy workdays. With games sometimes scheduled from noon until midnight, Kult and Franck both laughed when asked what kind of hours they put in.

"If I ever saw a 40-hour week, I'd be happy," said Kult.

For these true believers, though, the myriad obstacles only make the job more worthwhile.

"You do see a lot of good positives with it; friendships are made. We've had teams that played after they graduated because they just liked playing with each other and continued to do it," said Kult. "You don't worry about change, it's just part of the game."

One of the biggest changes coming down the road for the intramurals staff will be the expansion of the HPER building. With an updated look and more room, the 'new' facilities could be just the ticket to swell the ranks of intramurals participants.

Jodie Rasmussen, a graduate assistant who started out as an official, said simple curiosity might be the program's most effective marketing tool.

"I think with the new building more [students] will want to come in the

building and check it out, and it will be easier to get more people interested," she said.

Kult said the addition of more floor space will open up a whole new world of possibilities for student involvement.

"It's extremely exciting because right now we share the gyms with the school of HPER. Now, with more classes being offered at different times, we had to go a little bit later, different days," he said. "That's the balancing act ... you've got to weigh both. I have to try to leave space open as much as I can so students can come in and work out to have fun."

For one former participant the biggest draw was getting to put his game face on. Joe Ruback played college baseball before coming to UNO and won intramural athlete of the year twice in a row. He said the atmosphere in intramural leagues harkened back to playground days.

"I think a lot of people do it because they still want to be active ... they want to play, they want to compete. You see it a lot in intramural event where kids get very upset when they lose."

Despite the heat of battle, though, Ruback said the social aspect of participating was a great reason to get involved.

"If you go there for a year, probably two or three times a week," he said. "You will know so many more people."

Another benefit UNO's program has over some other schools, said Kult, is that signing up for a league doesn't cost the students a dime. The only expense is a \$10 "forfeiture fee" for teams that can't



photo by Jason Glenn

Sophomore Jamie Leeper delivers a pitch in a Sigma Kappa intramural softball game at Caniglia Field.

make it to scheduled games and that money goes towards sending qualifying squads to regional competitions.

"Instead of keeping the money, which we don't want to keep because we hope we never have any forfeits, we give it right back to the students," Kult said. "A lot of it is the philosophy of the director - kept it cheap and make it open to everybody."

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Student Programming Organization

Bad Sunday upends golf team in Minn. State Mankato Invitational

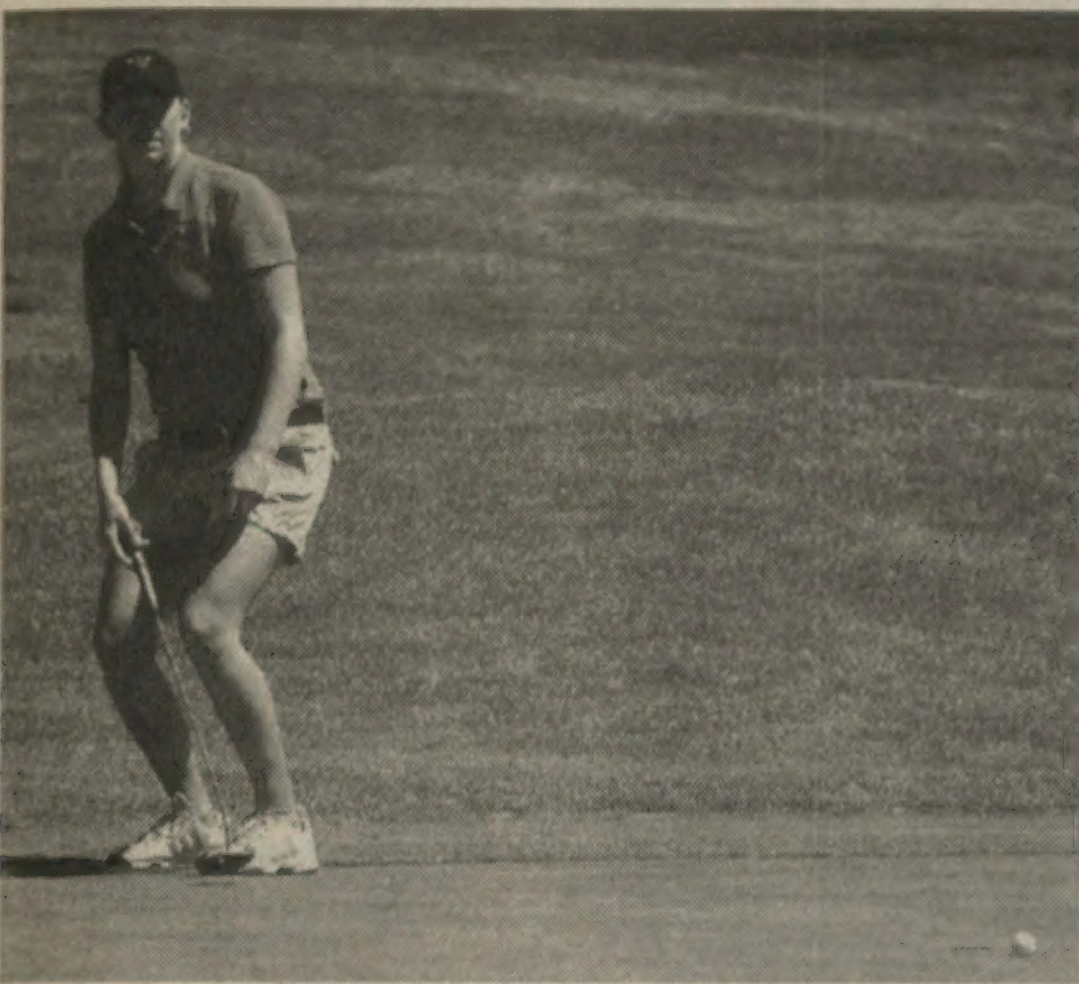


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Junior Lindsay Newton reacts as her putt slips just past the cup in the second round of the Ironwood Collegiate Classic in Omaha April 16.

JASON GLENN
SPORTS EDITOR

After watching his team slip from third place to ninth over the final day of the Minnesota State Mankato Invitational in Waseca, Minn., last weekend, UNO Golf Coach Tim Nelson found solace in the wisdom of one of his athletes.

"One of the players said that, 'We didn't play well last year at [Mankato], and ended up winning regionals the next week,'" said Nelson, a two-time North Central Conference coach of the year. "So we're just going to use that as a way to get there."

The Mavericks had been on a tear, winning two of their last three tournaments and finishing second as host of the Ironwood Collegiate Classic two weeks ago. Junior Sara

Wolfe led the squad early in the season and junior Lynn Mulligan had come on strong of late, capturing the Ironwood title by three strokes.

But despite the hot streak, the Mavs just couldn't seem to find an answer for Waseca's Lakeside Country Club on Sunday.

Wolfe had UNO's low round of the day with an 84 and Mulligan carded a 171 over 36 holes to lead the Mavs in the tournament, but the team still finished 24 strokes behind eventual winner University of North Dakota.

Just as his golfers had been stymied by the course, Nelson struggled to find an answer for their second-round collapse.

"I really can't identify it, I don't know," he said. "It was real windy both days but the other teams [played] in it, too. We just didn't play well."

One thing he knew for sure was that the problem didn't discriminate.

"Usually, in a tournament you may have one person play bad for us, but this – it was a team effort," Nelson said with a weary laugh. "That's about all you can say."

Still, with the early season wins virtually assuring the Mavericks a spot in this weekend's regional tournament, Nelson said the bad showing might have just been a blip on the radar. And perhaps, the coach continued, they were just prematurely anxious to get on the bigger stage.

Which, if last year's finish is any indicator, might not be a bad thing after all.

"We've done it before," said Nelson. "We'll do it again."



photos by Michelle Bishop

Boys of spring

Mavericks baseball took to the diamond on April 24 in a double header against Augustana College. The Mavs swept the Vikings 6-2 and 13-11. Above, Matt Eikmeier steals home after a wild pitch by Augustan pitcher Bryce Ahrendt during the second inning of game two.

Maverick pitcher Ryan Lafountain lets loose a four-seam fastball against Augustana. Lafountain started game two but pitcher Blake Denoyer came in to pick up the win for the 22-16 Mavericks. The Mavs have won 17 of their last 20 games.



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BFA candidates display final works of undergrad careers at UNO gallery

SALLY BROWN DESKINS
STAFF WRITER

Eight graduates, who call themselves the "emerging media artists," are displaying their thesis exhibitions, a culmination of a year's worth of hard work, in the UNO Art Gallery.

"Students should come to see the future of art ... to see the diversity of art as well as exciting new art forms, and the combination of traditional and technological media," said UNO Art Gallery Director Colleen Heavican of the Spring 2007 Bachelor of Fine Arts Exhibition. Heavican said this group took the exploration, combination and use of media to a new level.

The artists combined graphic design, traditional media, found or bought objects (such as a record player, a glass table, lighters, to name a few), and high use of technology.

Graphic design major Molly Connolly used graphic design and installation to inform and expose the realities of the human papilloma virus (HPV). Along the wall read facts about HPV, like "80 percent of the women in this room will have HPV by age 50." She used graphic design to create products that promoted the education of HPV on t-shirts, lighters and soap bars with playful puns, almost as if a new hip movie were being promoted, and all are for sale.

Connolly said she used this playful fashion to make the subject more approachable to the masses, especially young students just like her. "People think it can't happen to them, but it can," she said.

Connolly has already been accepted to the Savannah College of Art and Design graduate school, and is seeking a full-time graphic design job as well.

Fellow graphic design graduate Cale Oglesby has a wry sense of humor in his art. A favorite among viewers are his self-portraits; one using a childhood toy, the Etch-a-Sketch, and one he graphically designed piece-by-piece and cut-and-pasted together into a three-dimensional object. Oglesby plans on continuing his work that "lowers the pretentious level of art" and exhibiting more in the area.

Alex Myers' humor is evident in his statement, writing

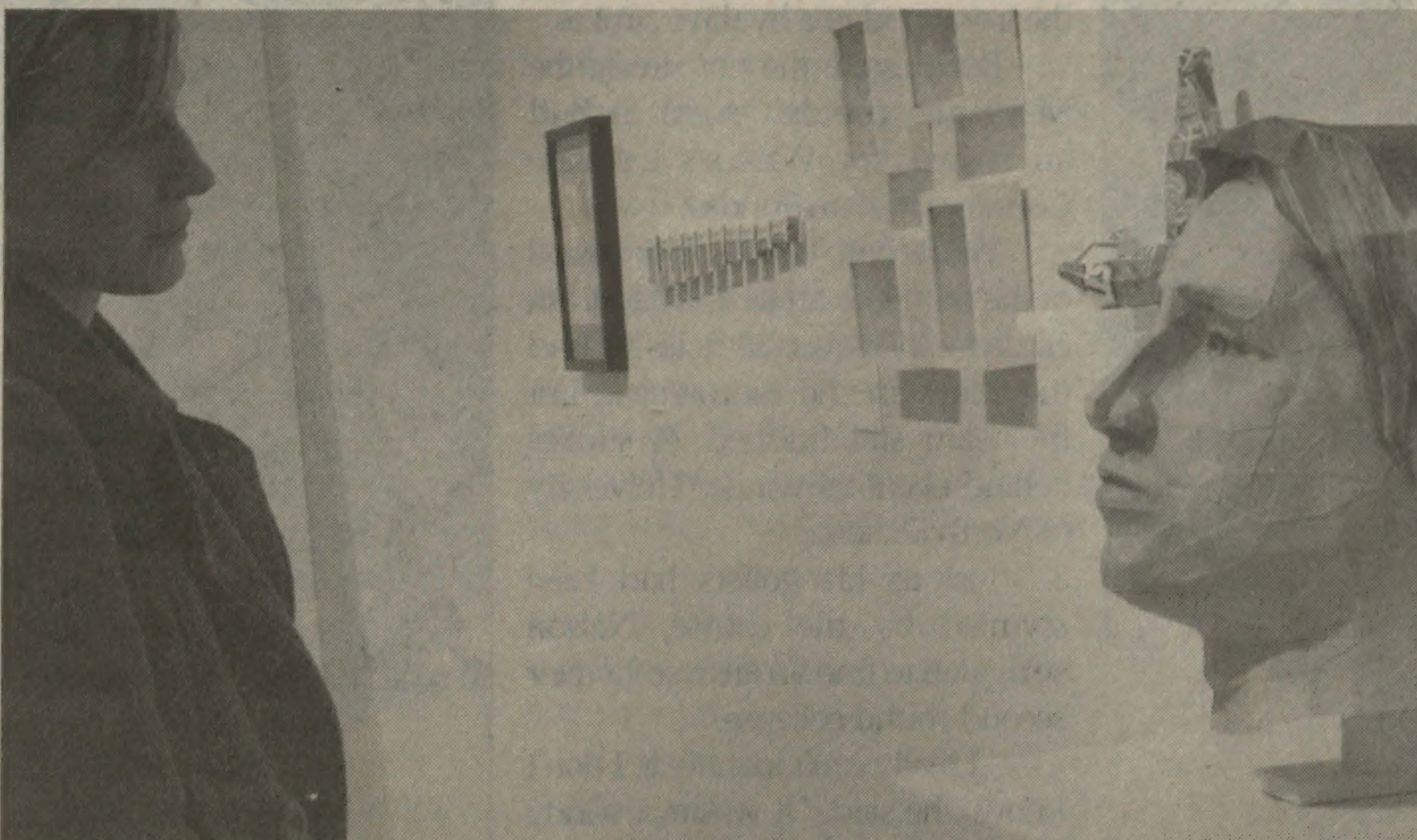


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Art Education major Josie Lawhon looks at *Teleportation/Clone Self Portrait 2007* by Cale Oglesby Wednesday at the Weber Art Gallery.

that he explores the "meaning of meaninglessness." His colorful collages of old-timers set in fantasylands look like something off the set of the "You Can't Do That On Television" opener. Similarly child-like, Myers states that his exhibit is "brought to you by the letters 'J,M,C,M,E,B,R,J&M,'" which many recognize from the various skits on "Sesame Street." Though his work has a playful feel, the wall exhibits seriousness where he wrote in pencil a long note of political and philosophical questions and statements.

Myers has plans for graduate school, "probably in the Netherlands," he said, and has already shown his work nationally and plans to continue expanding his audience.

Sarah Brogren's glass dinner table with old family photos lights up the back gallery, and her back room of antique trunks and suitcases, embellished with old photos and projections of memories, reels viewers in with a warm touch. Brogren plans to finish up her art education degree and will be student teaching next year.

Media combination is most evident in Shaun Kiel's "errant

syntax," and Jenny Wagner's "Highway Assemblage." Kiel's corner is draped with his traditional work; abstract paintings on canvas, but the screens that brighten them from behind bring the attention. A video projection shows graphic footage; one notable is a guy trying to take out one of his teeth. Kiel has been accepted to the graduate school at UNL and will start this fall.

Wagner's installation exhibits video projections on large, photocopied maps, showing her various travels from home and school over the last year, examining the dynamics of time and place through the time-based media of video art.

This highly impressive and progressive group of graduates are moving forward at a rapid pace, going to graduate school, showing nationally and working as top-notch graphic designers. As artist Myers said, all of these artists really "push personal and regional boundaries in art."

Students, faculty and the community are encouraged to check it out to get a glance at these emerging artists displaying new forms of art.

"This is really a show where people ask, how did they think of that," Heavican said.

The 2007 Spring Bachelor of Fine Arts Thesis Exhibition runs through May 4 in the UNO Art Gallery, located in the Weber Fine Arts building, and is free and open to the public. Gallery hours are Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday noon to 4 p.m.; Thursday noon to 8 p.m.; and Saturday 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Thesis talks will be held on April 25 and 27 from noon to 1 p.m. in the gallery. For further information call 554-2796.

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Former Zebrahead singer Mauriello puts on new stripes with I Hate Kate

ANGI SADA
EDITOR IN CHIEF

As a rule, people are much bolder over the phone than in person. They are willing to play the coquette more feverishly. They are more willing to talk about things that would make their mother's blush when they are only connected by a cellular tower and three ounce telephone.

Justin Mauriello, of the Huntington Beach, Calif. band I Hate Kate, is no different. The boyishly charming singer-songwriter called from his hotel room bed in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan on a Wednesday evening. We danced around some small talk about the weather and the now defunct, but still infamous Ranch Bowl.

I, of course, knew he was in Saskatchewan because I had been prowling the band's MySpace.com page earlier in the day trying to get a feel for what they did musically. And, to see if he was cute.

Unlike his last band, Zebrahead, I Hate Kate is hard to pin down. They bounce back and forth from sounding like something you'd hear on the "OC" to something a little like Omaha-based The Faint's bastard child. Mauriello said labeling the group is hard for him, too.

"I just say we're a rock band," he said. "We have so many different influences it's hard to pigeon hole us into one [genre]."

Mauriello, who wrote the bulk of the songs on the latest album, said many of the songs were written while he was still in Zebrahead. The band, which had a fiercely loyal fan base in Omaha, had become too cozy for Mauriello.

"I had a good run with them, but it became a comfort zone for me; just a job and a paycheck," he said. "In that band, we had a formula. It became predictable. With this band, I don't have that."

After growing up "a good, Christian boy," Mauriello expressed his frustration with authority and explored his freedom with his music.

"There are so many people telling you what to do," he said. "A lot of the songs are about doing



courtesy photo

Justin Mauriello (left), Scott Hayden (sitting center), Jeremy Berghorst (standing center) and Mike Lund make up the band I Hate Kate. The alternative rock band will be opening for Social Distortion on May 1 at the Sokol Auditorium.

something, making something they want."

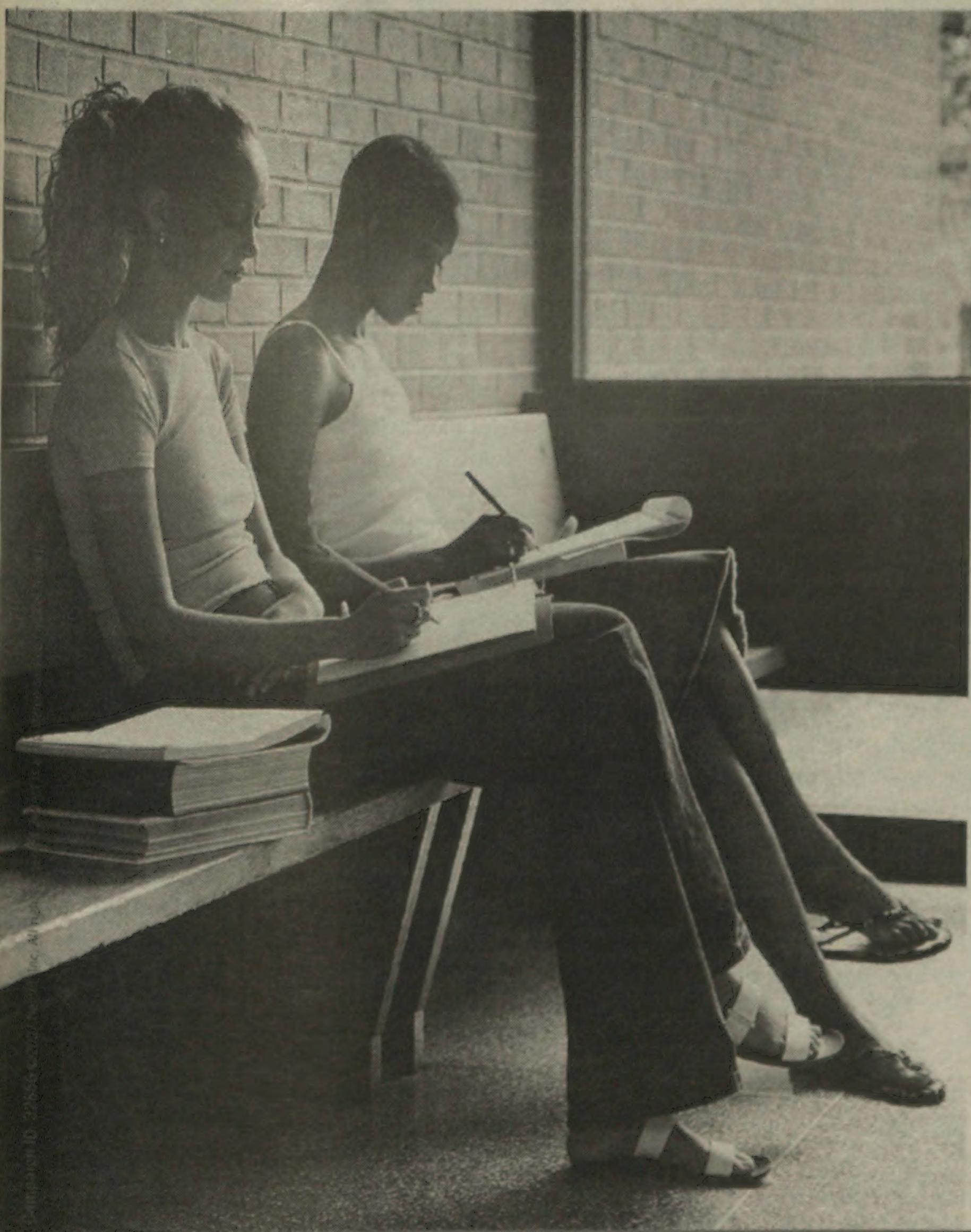
Mauriello and the band, rounded out by bassist Scott Hayden, drummer Mike Lund and guitarist Jeremy Berghorst, will be pushing in to Omaha to open up for punk rock veterans Social Distortion on May 1.

Mauriello hasn't been back to Omaha since

parting ways with Zebrahead, but is excited to come back.

"I'm looking forward to seeing Omaha again," he said. "I am sorry to hear about the Ranch Bowl, though."

Tickets for the 8 p.m. show are still available \$24 through TicketMaster.



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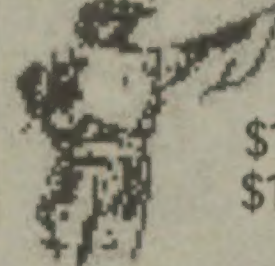
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Self-Rescue Rope Techniques

Sat. May 5th (9am - 5pm) - Sun. May 6th (12pm - 5pm)

Discuss rescue scenarios that may be encountered in lead climbing situations. (River runners, backpackers and cavers may find aspects of this class useful in dealing with pinned boats and vertical rescues.) Design and implement practical rope techniques needed for self-rescue. Pre-requisite is a current belay certification from OVC Climbing Wall. Will be taught at the OVC Climbing Wall.

Early Registration Cost: \$40 UNO/\$50 GP
Late Fee: After 4/29, Add \$15

JOB OPPORTUNITY

Outdoor Venture Center is currently looking for Rental Center and Climbing Wall Supervisors.
Join the OVC Staff today!
Applications are located in HPER 100

What summer adventures do you have planned?

The UNO Rental Center has equipment for all your outdoor needs. With prices for UNO Students and General Public, you don't have to be in school to use this service offered to you!
The Rental Center has great package deals on canoes, kayaks and more!

Check out our website for a complete list of rental items and rates.
www.unomaha.edu/~wwocr • Questions? Call 554.2258/2539 -Or- Email: ovc@unomaha.edu

Mav-Rec Aquatics

Summer Swim Lessons

6/11-6/21, 7/9-7/19 &
7/23-8/2
9, 9:35, 10:10

\$35 UNO students/Activity Card holders

\$40 general public
Sat, 6/15- 8/11
11:15, 11:50 & 12:25

Summer Dive Lessons

6/11-6/21, 7/9-7/19
2-4pm • 9, 9:35, 10:10 •

\$40 for UNO students/Activity Card holders • \$40 general public

Looking for Lifeguards!
Apply in HPER 100

Classified Ads

NOTICES

Advertising will be rejected that discriminates based on age, race, color, national origin, religion, sex, disability, marital status or sexual orientation.

LOST & FOUND

FOR ITEMS LOST AT UNO

Contact Campus Security, EAB 100, 554-2648.
Turned-in items can be claimed by a description and proper identification.

Advertising for items lost or found on the UNO campus will be published free in the Gateway for two weeks. Forms are available at the Office located in Milo Bail 1st Floor.

HELP WANTED

Earn \$2500+monthly and more to type simple ads online.
www.DataAdEntry.com

The Citrus Lounge is now looking for Security, Barback, & Cashier. Please apply in person Tues-Sat after 3pm. 14616 W. Center Rd. 934-4320.

TREE WORK

Summer Work M-F, 40 hrs/wk. Learn arboriculture. \$11-12/hr. Call Brian 504-2113.

NOW HIRING!!!

Outdoor Venture Center summer employees. Start training in April. See HPER Rm. 100 for an application or call 554-2258.

PART TIME WORK

United Services of America. *Work 4-5 hours in the evening. *Canvas Omaha Metro area for home improvement company. No selling involved. \$10/hr + bonuses. Call Kevin Gorham 402-350-3409.

Live In

Looking for responsible non-smoking student to live in and help 20 hours a week (mostly weekend hours) with 4 beautiful school aged children in exchange for free room and board in a "nanny suite" with private entrance, kitchenette, private bath & cable plus \$100/week. Home located 90th & Dodge area. Previous child care experience and references necessary. Louri 445-4037.

Watch television for a graduate research project.

Two students are needed to assist in coding 30 hours of television for \$6.15 an hour. One pilot coding and training session will be held in May, and then code on your own during June. Easy money and a great academic learning experience. Contact Harat Manges at hmanges@mail.unomaha.edu or 305-8436.

Full or part time Leasing Agent needed!

Looking for a job that adds valuable experience to your resume? Join the Broadmoor team! Call Michelle Wustrack at 384-6477 for more information. (We are flexible with class schedules.)
www.broadmoor.cc

Need \$\$ for the summer?

Vincenzo's Italian Restaurant in the Old Market is now hiring all dining room positions. Please apply in person at 1207 Harney Street.

Qualified Dance

Instructors Needed. Ballet - Jazz - Lyrical. Cherrie Anderson School of Music and Dance. Call for more information...333-4426.

Babysitters & Nannies

Needed. Flexible Schedule. Great Pay. Visit www.4sitters.com

Country Club Area
1 Bedroom, brick, 4-plex. Hardwood Floors, Garage, personal washer & dryer in storage area. Central air. Secure Bldg. 2 mi from campus. No smoking. No pets. \$525/mo. Call 558-6866.

Old Navy is Hiring!!!

PT/FT positions available. Great Benefits and Discount. All locations are hiring. Westroads, Crossroads, Oakview, Council Bluffs, Shadow Lake - Papillion. To apply visit www.gapinc.com/storejobs or call 1-866-954-4274.

Lawn & Landscape Care. PT & FT available. Call 689-2211.

Want to stay in shape & get a Tan?

Omaha Country Club seeks energetic individuals to work full-time over the summer on our Grounds Team. Call Human Resources at 577-3005 or apply to 6900 Country Club Rd. (just north of Immanuel on 72nd St.)

Need a Summer Job?

The Omaha Country Club has the following full-time and part-time, fun and flexible positions available: Course bartender, Ladies and Men's Locker Room, Wait Staff, Bartenders, and Tennis. Call Human Resources at 577-3005 or apply to 6900 Country Club Rd. (just north of Immanuel on 72nd St.)

SERVICES

PIANO INSTRUCTION
Experienced, caring teacher with Master's Degree. Children & adults of all ages welcome. Donna Zebolsky 991-5774.

FOR SALE

2000 Jeep Wrangler. 84,000 mi., \$8500. 402-502-1827.

ROOMMATE WANTED

DOWNTOWN APARTMENT AVAILABLE!
Looking for roommate to split costs. Very spacious (1,100 sq. ft.), 2 bedroom, located 16th & Harney. \$425/month includes utilities. Contact Ben- 402-709-6699.

7088 Seward St. 3 bd, 1 1/2 bath. No pets, full furnished. 350/mo. 1/3 utilities. Contact Travis @ 208-6273.

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Willow Park Apartments
And Townhomes
AVAILABLE NOW:
1 Bedroom apartments
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2 Bedroom Townhomes
3 Bedroom apartments
Washer and dryer included!
Just minutes from the interstate!
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402-339-1110
www.broadmoor.cc

University Place Apartments
551 So 35th St. Large 1 or 2 Bedroom/1 Bath. Completely renovated w/electrical, plumbing, high-speed. Hardwood floors/tile kitch & baths. Off street parking and on-site laundry facility. Heat/Water paid. Reserve for next semester! Call Gina at 990-3927 for showing.

Huge 1 bedroom apartments available! Located seconds from UNO. Modern kitchens and appliances. Washer/Dryer connections. Secured entry building. Garage available. Rent today and your first month is FREE! Loveland Apartments. 7515 Howard Street. 391-0877.

Apartment for Rent at 41st & Cass. Newly remodeled studio-like basement apartment with private entrance, full kitchen, living room, bedroom, bath and laundry. Hard wood floors throughout, new appliances, high ceilings with recessed lighting. \$450/month includes utilities and cable/internet. Please call Sarah at 850-9867 for more details.

HOUSING

APTS., HOUSES and sleeping rms. for rent, roommate lists - call UNO off-campus Housing Referral Service at 554-2383 or stop in the Admin. Office, Milo Bail Student Center.

This is the last paper of the semester.
We'll pick back up on June 5th.
Have a great summer!
402-554-2470 * www.unogateway.com